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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2004**

**TITLE:** CORNER THRUST-JOURNAL FLUID DYNAMIC BEARING  
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**INVENTOR:** Anthony Joseph Aiello  
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PATENT  
Atty. Dkt. No. SEA 3284**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Application of:  
Anthony Joseph Aiello

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For: CORNER THRUST-JOURNAL  
FLUID DYNAMIC BEARINGMAIL STOP Restriction Requirement  
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Dear Sir:

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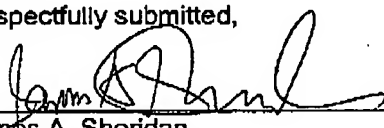
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 23, 2004, please enter this response in the application for reasons discussed below.

Applicant by his attorney hereby elects Group I, claims 1-16, without traverse.

Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/3264, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Having addressed all issues set out in the Restriction Requirement, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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